Area Program Population Changes July 1, 2005 to July 1, 2006 Population Projections Ranked by July 1, 2006 Population

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	7/1/06 Population	July 1, 2005	July 1, 2006	Change	Percent	1
Area Program	Rank	Population**	Population*	05 to 06	Growth	
Mecklenburg	1	789,940	805,291	15,351	1.94%	
Wake	2	744,024	769,244	25,220	3.39%	
Piedmont	3	657,107	669,213	12,106	1.84%	
Sandhills	4	515,227	516,621	1,394		Lee-Harnett SFY05 added to Sandhills
Western Highlands	5	486,018	487,587	1,569	0.32%	
Guilford	6	446,189	443,753	(2,436)	-0.55%	
CenterPoint	7	411,590	414,181	2,591	0.63%	
Pathways	8	363,562	362,078	(1,484)	-0.41%	
Southeastern	9	308,552	318,545	9,993	3.24%	
Cumberland	10	315,122	315,287	165	0.05%	
Eastpointe	11	292,708	291,647	(1,061)	-0.36%	
Alamance-Caswell-Rockingham	12	258,766	257,135	(1,631)		Rockingham SFY05 added to A-C
Southeastern Regional	13	253,778	254,177	399	0.16%	
Crossroads	14	251,318	253,073	1,755	0.70%	
Foothills	15	250,358	248,657	(1,701)	-0.68%	
Durham	16	243,322	246,184	2,862	1.18%	
Five County	17	230,590	231,356	766	0.33%	RiverStone SFY05 added to Five County
Onslow-Carteret	18	162,219	226,540	64,321	39.65%	
Orange-Person-Chatham	19	219,384	219,407	23	0.01%	
Smoky Mountain	20	183,644	185,588	1,944	1.06%	Carteret included in SFY05
New River	21	166,517	165,724	(793)	-0.48%	
Catawba	22	151,169	151,232	63		Carteret included in SFY06
Johnston	23	145,240	150,557	5,317	3.66%	
Edgecombe-Nash	24	145,140	145,637	497	0.34%	
Pitt	25	143,158	145,310	2,152	1.50%	
Albemarle	26	127,430	133,729	6,299	4.94%	
Neuse	27	179,250	115,825	(63,425)	-35.38%	
Wilson-Greene	28	97,729	98,273	544	0.56%	4
Tideland	29	94,511	93,894	(617)	-0.65%	
Roanoke-Chowan	30	76,385	76,272	(113)	-0.15%	
TOTAL		8,709,947	8,792,017	82,070	0	

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